The Secure America from Russian Interference Act of 2018

The Putin regime has consistently worked against the interests of the United States and our allies and partners around the world, including:

- Interfering in the democratic processes and institutions of the United States and our allies;
- Stifling any dissent in its own country while unjustly imprisoning or implicitly permitting the murder of dissident citizens:
- Unlawfully invading and occupying Ukrainian, Georgian, and Moldovan territory;
- Providing direct military support to Syrian dictator Bashar al-Assad, who is responsible for the murder of thousands of Syrian civilians; and
- Providing material aid, including advanced weapons systems, to the Islamic Republic of Iran.

To counter Russia's malign activities, Congress must adopt an unambiguous, bipartisan strategy. H.R. 6437, the Secure America from Russian Interference Act, does that by advancing four basic objectives:

- 1. Expose Russian misdeeds and holding President Vladimir Putin accountable;
- 2. Strengthen U.S. government security and election infrastructure to defend against foreign interference;
- 3. Bolster U.S. alliances to combat the Russian threat, especially those of our NATO partners; and
- 4. Seek constructive dialogue with the Russian people.

Specific legislative provisions included in the Secure America from Russian Interference Act are:

<u>H.R. 463</u>: Crimea Annexation Non-Recognition Act – Rep. Gerry Connolly (VA-11) & Rep. Steve Chabot (OH-01)

Legislation to prohibit recognition of the Russian annexation of Crimea.

H.R. 530: Safeguard Our Elections and Combat Unlawful Interference in Our Democracy (SECURE Our Democracy) Act – Rep. Eliot Engel (NY-16) and Rep. Gerry Connolly (VA-11)
 Legislation to impose sanctions on any country for election interference.

- <u>H.R. 2145</u>: No Russia Exemptions for Oil Production Act (No REX) Act Rep. Maxine Waters (CA-43) Legislation to prohibit the Department of Treasury from providing licenses for U.S. individuals to engage in joint energy activities that may produce oil in Russia or its jurisdiction.
- <u>H.R. 2586</u>: Report on Influence and Subversion by the Kremlin (RISK) Act Rep. Salud Carbajal (CA-24)

 Legislation to require the State Department to submit to Congress an assessment of subversive activities by the Russian Federation.
- <u>H.R. 2812</u>: Enhance Partner Cyber Capabilities Act Rep. Lou Correa (CA-46) *Legislation to develop a strategy for the offensive use of cyber capabilities by federal agencies.*
- <u>H.R. 2820</u>: Fight Russia Corruption Act Rep. Tom Suozzi (NY-03) & Rep. Peter Roskam (IL-06)

 Legislation to require the establishment of the Office of Anti-Corruption within the State Department, and require the State Department to provide assistance to European countries combatting corruption.
- H.R. 2924: National Russian Threat Response Center Rep. Joe Kennedy (MA-04)
 Legislation to establish a fusion center within the Office of the Director of National Intelligence to integrate U.S. efforts against Russia.

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- <u>H.R. 4077</u>: Honest Ads Act Rep. Derek Kilmer (WA-06) & Rep. Mike Coffman (CO-06) *Legislation to require disclosure for online political advertisements.*
- <u>H.R. 4348</u>: Keeping Russian Entrapments Minimal and Limiting Intelligence Network (KREMLIN) Act Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi (IL-08)

Legislation to require reporting on Kremlin political intentions.

- **H.R. 5011**: Election Security Act Rep. Bennie Thompson (MS-02)

 Legislation to require the designation of election infrastructure as critical infrastructure.
- <u>H.R. 5216</u>: Directing Implementation of Sanctions and Accountability for Russian Mischief (DISARM) Act Rep. Denny Heck (WA-10) & Rep. Leonard Lance (NJ-07)

Legislation to impose sanctions on senior political figures and oligarchs in the Russian Federation.

- <u>H.R. 5354</u>: Countering Foreign Propaganda Act Rep. Seth Moulton (MA-06) & Rep. Elise Stefanik (NY-21) Legislation to require enhanced reporting under FARA for U.S.-based foreign media.
- <u>H.R. 5428</u>: Stand with UK Against Russia Violation Act Rep. Joaquin Castro (TX-20) & Rep. Mike Turner (OH-10)

Legislation to sanction Russia for the poisoning of a Russian dissident.

<u>HR 5910</u>: Defend Against Russian Disinformation and Aggression Act – Rep. Val Demings (FL-10) & Rep. Elise Stefanik (NY-21)

Legislation to codify the State Department sanctions office; require reporting on Putin's bank accounts; and authorize enhanced NATO cooperation.

- <u>H.R. 6224</u>: Protect European Energy Security Act Rep. Denny Heck (WA-10) & Rep. Ted Poe (TX-02) Legislation to require reporting on Russia's efforts to subvert European energy independence and an assessment of the Nord Stream2 pipeline.
- <u>H.R. 6423</u>: Punishing Russia's Continuing Occupation of Ukraine Act Rep. Steve Cohen (TN-09)

 Legislation to sanction Russian institutions with ties to the Kremlin in response to Putin's ongoing attacks in Ukraine.
- <u>H.R. 6426</u>: Combating Putin's Repression (CPR) for Russian Civil Society Act Rep. Adriano Espaillat (NY-13)

Legislation to authorize outreach to Russian people and expose Putin's malign activities.

<u>Election security provision from the Intelligence Authorization Act of FY 18</u> – Rep. Adam Schiff (CA-28) Would require notification regarding foreign election interference.

Congress must do everything in its power to hold Russia and the Putin regime accountable for its malign activities and safeguard our country. The Secure America from Russian Interference Act is an important, bipartisan step in the right direction.